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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action (Paper No. 11) mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on April 10, 2001. A Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time and appropriate fee are submitted concurrently herewith.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 169-172.

Please amend claim 167 as follows:

167.(Amended) A method for increasing blood flow in a tissue of a nonhypercholesterolemic subject,

comprising:

administering to a nonhypercholesterolemic subject in need of such treatment a HMG-CoA

reductase inhibitor in an amount effective to increase endothelial cell Nitric Oxide Synthase activity in the

tissue of the subject.